

What Must We Do To Be Saved

Let us pray.

BAR-CHU et Adonai ham'vorach. Baruch Adonai ham'vorach l'olam vaed. Baruch atah, Adonai Eloheinu, Melech ha-olam, asher bacher banu mi-kol ha'amim, v'natan lanu et Torato. Baruch Atah, Adonai, notein ha Torah.

BLESS ADONAI who is blessed. Blessed is Adonai who is blessed now and forever. Blessed are You, Adonai, our God, Sovereign of the universe, who has chosen us from among the peoples, and given us the Torah. Blessed are You, Adonai, who gives the Torah.

Amen.

Isaiah 40:3 A voice of one calling in the wilderness, "Prepare the way for the Lord".

These are the end of days. The very last of days. These are the days of preparation. In these days we reconsider the Bible from the perspective of God's word alone without doctrines of men. And since we understand that Jesus is the Living Torah and the Torah is Jesus and the Jews were given Jesus through the Torah from Mount Sinai, we then come to the place where we ask the question: What must we do to be saved?

First, I will speak to the Jews. This question was asked of Jesus by a Jewish ruler and Jesus told him the answer.

Mark 10:17,18 As Jesus started on his way, a man ran up to him. "Good teacher." He asked, "what must I do to inherit eternal life?" "Why do you call me good?" Jesus answered. "No one is good – except God alone. You know the commandments; 'You shall not murder, you shall not commit adultery, you shall not steal, you shall not give false testimony, you shall not defraud, honor your father and mother.'"

Jesus tells the Jewish ruler to inherit eternal life you must obey the commandments.

And this is also what the Torah tells us.

Leviticus 18:5 Keep my decrees and laws, for the person who obeys them will live by them. I am the Lord.

The word here for living is eternal living. God said to the Jews, I give you my Torah and if you obey my decrees and laws you will have eternal life. Because within my Torah is my son Jesus who will one day come in the flesh, live a perfect life, die for the sins of the world, conquer death, raise again, and write Torah on the hearts of those who accept him according to a New Covenant.

But under this Old Covenant the Jews are saved and continue to be saved. They remain God's people and God remains faithful to them. God has never at any time abandoned His people the Jews. Now, can a Jew also accept Jesus? Of course, he can. He can accept Jesus and the New Covenant and have the Torah written on his heart. After all, the time is coming when all of Israel and Judah will have this New Covenant written on their hearts.

Jeremiah 31:31-34 "The days are coming," declares the Lord, "when I will make a new covenant with the people of Israel and with the people of Judah. It will not be like the covenant I made with their ancestors when I took them by the hand to lead them out of Egypt, because they broke my covenant, though I was a husband to them," declares the Lord. "This is the covenant I will make with the people of Israel after that time," declares the Lord. "I will put my law in their minds and write it on their hearts. I will be their

God, and they will be my people. No longer will they teach their neighbor, or say to one another, 'Know the Lord,' because they will all know me, from the least of them to the greatest," declares the Lord, "For I will forgive their wickedness and will remember their sins no more."

So, the Jews are saved by the Torah which was given to Moses on Mt. Sinai. Not the additions to Torah by the Rabbi's from 400 BC though today. Nor with the Talmud and Mishna. Nor the Haggada or Kabbalah, Jewish Mysticism, The Cabala, Midrash or any other text. Only the Torah given by God, not words given by men.

These additions to Torah by Rabbi's and men clutter the mind and confuse the heart and make it difficult to know God. You can't even say his name. Or write it. You write, G-d. Is this any way to talk to someone you love? No, repent from the doctrines of men and return to Torah (from God) alone, and should you wish to know God's love on a very personal level, accept Jesus into your heart.

Now, I would like to talk to the Gentiles.

Paul and Silas in prison in Macedonia due to a miraculous occurrence of an earthquake which freed all the prisoners, but who remained with Paul and Silas due to their testimony, find themselves with a Gentile jailer who asks the question:

Acts 16:30,31 He then brought them out and asked, "Sirs, what must I do to be saved?" They replied, "Believe in the Lord Jesus, and you will be saved – you and your household."

The Gentile is not under God's Old Covenant this was given to the Jews who God selected as His people. Only by believing in Jesus can a Gentile be saved and have eternal life. For when one accepts Jesus into his heart, Jesus writes the Torah on his heart and it is the Torah that brings eternal life. And Jesus is The Living Torah. And when this happens, the Gentile also becomes God's people.

Galatians 3:26-29 So in Christ Jesus you are all children of God through faith, for all of you who were baptized into Christ have clothed yourselves with Christ. There is neither Jew nor Gentile, neither slave nor free, nor is there male and female, for you are all one in Christ Jesus. If you belong to Christ then you are Abraham's seed, and heirs according to the promise.

So, if you are not Jewish and you wish to know God, and you wish to know eternal life, then you also need to invite Jesus into your heart. Then you too will know the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, guarding your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus (Philippians 4:7).

This is what we must do to be saved.

Let us pray,

BARUCH atah, Adonai Eloheinu, Melech ha-olam, asher natan lanu Torat emet, v'chayei olam nata b'tocheinu. Baruch Atah, Adonai, notein ha Torah.

BLESSED ARE YOU, Adonai our God, Sovereign of the universe, who has given us a Torah of truth, implanting within us eternal life. Blessed are You, Adonai, who gives the Torah.

Amen.

Thank You,

A Voice in The Wilderness